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REMARKS

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1. On 21 July 1953, 30 percent of the windows of the Artillerie Kaserne in Burg were lighted. Two barracks buildings were dark. At about 10:15 p.m. on 4 July, 6 x 37-mm AA guns, 8 x 85-mm AA guns, 25 trucks and 200 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia were entrained at the Burg railroad station and left toward Magdeburg. On 5 July, the Artillerie Kaserne was lighted, except for the two buildings mentioned above. On 29 July, the AAA unit had not yet returned. On 31 July, 60 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia engaged in service of the piece drill on 8 x 152-mm field howitzers, and 30 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia practiced firing in the barracks yard, while 90 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia engaged in field-wire laying, throwing of hand grenades and theoretical instruction at the Suedplatz. On the same day, about 30 soldiers left the installation toward the Kraehenberge (hills).

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Vehicular traffic was very light. Most of the vehicles were newly painted

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2. On 25 July, the Panzer Kaserne was occupied by a rear detail and a tank instruction unit. Between 31 July and 1 August, a T-34 tank was seen at driving practice.

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Comment. previously reported the loading of units of the unidentified AAA regiment of the LXXIX Gds Mtz Rifle Corps, presumably for Wustrow. Except for this unit, the Artillerie Kaserne appeared to be occupied as previously by the rear details of this regiment; and the 304th Arty Brig of the corps. The Panzer Kaserne was occupied as previously.

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Some of the old motor vehicle observed, belong to the 136th Gds Hv Tank SP Regt of the Third Shock Army.

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